## Exhibit B

William D. Holden Declaration

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## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re : Chapter 11

Gawker Media LLC, et al., 1 : Case No. 16-11700 (SMB)

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Debtors. : (Jointly Administered)

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## DECLARATION OF WILLIAM D. HOLDEN IN SUPPORT OF THE DEBTORS' SIXTH OMNIBUS OBJECTION TO CLAIMS (AMENDED AND SUPERSEDED CLAIMS)

I, William D. Holden, being duly sworn, hereby declare as follows:

1. I am the Chief Restructuring Officer of Gawker Media LLC ("Gawker Media"). As Chief Restructuring Officer I am responsible for all claims management related matters for the Debtors. I am generally familiar with the Debtors day-to-day operations, financing arrangements, business affairs, and books and records that reflect, among other things, the Debtors' liabilities and the amount thereof owed to their creditors as of the Petition Date. I have read the Debtors' Sixth Omnibus Objection to Claims (Amended and Superseded Claims) (the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The last four digits of the taxpayer identification number of the debtors are: Gawker Media LLC (0492); Gawker Media Group, Inc. (3231); and Gawker Hungary Kft. (f/k/a Kinja Kft.) (5056). Gawker Media LLC and Gawker Media Group, Inc.'s mailing addresses are c/o Opportune LLP, Attn: William D. Holden, Chief Restructuring Officer, 10 East 53rd Street, 33rd Floor, New York, NY 10022. Gawker Hungary Kft.'s mailing address is c/o Opportune LLP, Attn: William D. Holden, 10 East 53rd Street, 33rd Floor, New York, NY 10022.

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"Objection") and am directly, or by and through the Debtors' advisors and personnel, familiar

with the information contained therein and the exhibits attached thereto.<sup>2</sup>

I am authorized to submit this declaration (this "Declaration") in support of the 2.

Objection. All matters set forth in this Declaration are based on: (a) my personal knowledge;

(b) my review of relevant documents; (c) my view, based on my experience and knowledge of

the Debtors' operations, books and records, and personnel; (d) information supplied to me by

others at the Debtors' request; and (e) as to matters involving United States bankruptcy law or

rules or other applicable laws, my reliance on the advice of counsel or other advisors to the

Debtors. If called upon to testify, I could and would testify competently to the facts set forth

herein.

3. Upon a thorough review of the proofs of claim filed in these chapter 11 cases and

supporting documentation thereto and the prepetition liabilities listed by the Debtors on their

Schedules, the Debtors have determined that the claims listed on **Schedule 1** to the proposed

order annexed to the Objection (the "Superseded Claims") should be disallowed and expunged

because such claims have been amended or superseded by the proofs of claim listed in the

column on Schedule 1 entitled "Surviving Claim." Accordingly, I believe that this Court should

disallow and expunge the Superseded Claims from the Debtors' Claims Register.

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<sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used herein but not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Objection.

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Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Dated: February 3, 2017

William D. Holden